

pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. (Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.)

After the comment period on the draft environmental impact statement ends, the comments will be analyzed, considered, and responded to by the Forest Service in preparing the *final environmental impact statement*. The final environmental impact statement is scheduled to be completed by *May 1999*. The Responsible Official will consider the comments, responses, environmental consequences discussed in the final environmental impact statement, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making a decision. The Responsible Official will document the decision and rationale for the decision in a Record of Decision. The decision will be subject to appeal in accordance with 36 CFR 215.

The Responsible Official is: Pablo Cruz, Forest Supervisor, Caribbean National Forest, P.O. Box 490, Palmer, Puerto Rico 00721.

Dated: November 23, 1998.

Pablo Cruz,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Cancellation of Designation Issued to Patricia A. Walker and Stephen A. Walker d.b.a. Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection and Opportunity for Designation in the Northeast Indiana Area

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection (Northeast Indiana), asked GIPSA to end their designation as soon as possible. GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Northeast Indiana area to submit an application for designation.

DATES: Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before January 15, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Applications must be submitted to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M.

Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-3604.

Applications may be submitted by FAX on 202-690-2755. If an application is submitted by FAX, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, during regular business hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet M. Hart, at 202-720-8525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes the GIPSA Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that such applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services. GIPSA designated Northeast Indiana, main office located in Hoagland, Indiana, to provide official inspection services, under the Act on January 1, 1997.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designation of Northeast Indiana is scheduled to end on December 31, 2000. However, Northeast Indiana asked GIPSA to end its designation as soon as possible.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act, the following geographic area, in the State of Indiana, is assigned to Northeast Indiana.

Bounded on the North by the northern Lagrange and Steuben County lines;

Bounded on the East by the eastern Steuben, De Kalb, Allen, and Adams County lines;

Bounded on the South by the southern Adams and Wells County lines; and

Bounded on the West by the western Wells County line; the southern Huntington and Wabash County lines; the western Wabash County line north to State Route 114; State Route 114 northwest to State Route 19; State Route 19 north to Kosciusko County; the western and northern Kosciusko County lines; the western Noble and Lagrange County lines.

The following grain elevator, located outside of the above contiguous geographic area, is part of this

geographic area assignment: E. M. P. Grain, Payne, Paulding County, Ohio (located inside Michigan Grain Inspection Services, Inc.'s, area).

Interested persons are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic area specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder.

Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

Dated: December 11, 1998.

Neil E. Porter,

Director, Compliance Division.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has scheduled its regular business meetings to take place in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 12-13, 1999, at the times and location noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Tuesday, January 12, 1999

9:00-Noon and 1:30-3:30 p.m.—Committee of the Whole—Accessibility Guidelines (Closed Meeting).

3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Planning and Budget Committee.

Wednesday, January 13, 1999

9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.—Technical Programs Committee.

10:30 a.m.—Noon—Executive Committee.

1:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.—Board Meeting.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at: Washington Renaissance, 999 9th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact Lawrence W.